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ABSTRACT

This selective bibliography contains references to 76 ERIC documents and journal articles on the subject of behavior modification in the preschool and elementary school classroom. A total of 36 entries were taken from "Research in Education" (RIE), 1969 through 1974, and 36 entries were taken from "Current Index to Journals in Education" (CIJE), 1973-1975. Included are samples of programs in which behavior modification has been used, descriptions of how to use behavior modification techniques, research on the effectiveness of behavior modification techniques, and discussion of critical issues related to behavior modification. (GO)

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INTRODUCTION

BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION IN THE CLASSROOM:

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Behavior modification (or the use of contingent reinforcement techniques to manage behavior) has progressed from its beginnings in the psychology laboratory to public school classrooms where it is currently enjoying widespread application. In doing so, however, behavior modification has become quite a controversial issue among both parents and educators.

This bibliography has been compiled to provide recent references on the techniques of behavior modification and some of the issues associated with its use in educational settings. The documents cited in the bibliography can be found in the ERIC microfiche collection and in journal literature. Abstracts of selected documents were taken from Resources in Education (RIE) and journal article citations from the Current Index to Journals in Education (CIJE). Included are samples of programs in which behavior modification has been used, descriptions of how to use behavior modification techniques, research on the effectiveness of behavior modification techniques, and discussion of critical issues related to behavior modification.

Major descriptors (marked with an asterisk*) and minor descriptors appear after each title. Descriptors are subject terms which are used in <u>RIE</u> and <u>CIJE</u> to characterize the entries and will help users of this bibliography identify topics covered in the selections.

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1. Advani, Kan. <u>Involving Parents in the Behavior Modification Program of Their Children in Home and School.</u> A Research Project. 1973 38p ED 084 755

*Behavior Change; *Early Childhood Education; *Exceptional Child Research; Handicapped Children; *Hyperactivity; Operant Conditioning; *Parent Education

Six children enrolled in a 'Kindergarten for Children With Special' Needs' were the subject of a 3-month study of behavioral 'techniques applied to children's problem behavior through the training of parents. The children were rated as hyperactive and immature with various emotional, social, and physical problems. The study worked with the children in their natural environment (homes) and attempted to bring about change in their behavior through parental involvement. The improvement shown by the children suggested the advantage and need of early intervention in families of deviant children.

- 2, Baltes, Margaret M. Operant Principles Applied to the Acquisition and Generalization of Nonlittering Behavior in Children. 1973 69p ED 088 700
 - *Behavior Change; Behavior Standards; Doctoral Theses;
 - *Early Childhood Education; Educational Research;
 - *Environmental Education; Operant Conditioning; *Pollution;
 - *Social Influences; Wastes

The investigator felt that littering is a behavior contingent upon certain environmental conditions and that these conditions should be examined systematically. Specifically, this study sought to examine the effects of a behavior modification approach to littering with eight four-year-old subjects. Using token positive reinforcement, token punishment, rule reinforcement, and rule punishment as the experimental conditions, token positive reinforcement was most effective in gaining control over nonlittering behavior in terms of acquisition, maintenance, and generalization.

- 3. Brubakken, David M.; And Others. Assessing Parent Training Utilizing a Behavioral Index of Parent-Child Interactions. 1974 30p ED 104 103
 - *Behavior Change; Early Childhood; *Emotionally Disturbed; Exceptional Child Research; *Parent Child Relationship; *Parent Education; *Program Effectiveness; Residential Programs; Transfer of Training

Evaluated was the effectiveness of a 10-session parent training program to instruct three sets of parents in methods of behavioral management techniques with their emotionally disturbed children (ages 5-tq 8-year-old) who were receiving short term treatment in a residential facility. Home visits before and after training recorded rates of compliance by the child with parent requests and types of parent responses. The training program consisted of structured sessions including demonstrations, observing defined behaviors, recording baseline behaviors, implementing behavior modification techniques and measuring the degree of changed behaviors. Results indicated an increase in positive responses by all parents and a significant increase in compliance rates by two of the three children. Results suggested the usefulness of such parent programs in generalizing residential facility induced gains into the natural environment.

4. Buckholdt, David R.; And Others. The Effects of Different Reinforcement Systems on Cooperative Behaviors Exhibited by Children in Classroom Contexts. 1974 40p ED100 497

*Academic Achievement; Behavior Change; *Contingency Management; *Elementary School Students; Interaction Process Analysis; Language Development; Learning Theories; Literature Reviews; Mathematics Education; Peer Relationship; *Peer Teaching; *Preschool Children; Reading Development; *Reinforcement; Tutoring

This paper describes 'a series of experiments which indicate how different reinforcement systems affect cooperative, competitive, and individualized learning structures. Following a brief literature review of prior research, the experiments investigated (1) individual reinforcement for peer tutoring and (2) shared-group reinforcement for peer tutoring. They examined the effects of reinforcement by demonstrating how reward structures can interact with several independent variables in controlling the frequency of cooperative behavior. The studies support the idea that children from various socioeconomic classes, 3-to 11-years-old, in classrooms of 4-17 members, can work together effectively in cooperative instructional situations involving curriculum materials such as, mathematics, vocabulary development, and reading. Also, the results indicate that when appropriate reinforcement is provided for cooperative behavior, helping behaviors as well as student performance are increased. Several research topics are suggested for future research on the development and evaluation of cooperative goal structures.. . .

5. Davis, Lonnie H.; And Others. <u>Influence of Feedback, Teacher Praise</u>, and Parental Support on <u>Self-Competency of Third Graders</u>. 1974 17p ED 104 541

Attitude Tests; Change Strategies; *Elementary School Students; *Feedback; Grade 3; *Intervention; Parent Influence; *Positive Reinforcement; *Self Concept; Student Attitudes; Teacher Influence

The purpose of this study was to demonstrate how an early assessment of self-competency can be combined with an effective program for preventing maladaptive affective (self-competency) and academic skills. Eleven third graders participated in this study of three interventions. Feedback of multisource data, teacher praise (positive reinforcement), and parental support were used with students selected from sources derived from the Barclay Classroom Climate Inventory (BCCI). The data from these selected students were analyzed by the Mann-Whitney U One-Tailed Test. Results showed that the interventions improved students' self-competency, raised their group nominations, and changed their attitudes toward school.

6. Discipline in the Classroom. Revised Edition. 1974 88p ED 095 629

HC not available from EDRS.

Behavior Change; Behavior Problems; *Class Management; Classrooms; *Classroom Techniques; Curriculum; Curriculum Development; *Curriculum Enrichment; *Discipline; Discipline Policy; Elementary Schools; Humanization; Secondary Schools; Student Behavior; Student School Relationship; *Student Teacher Relationship; Teacher Behavior; Teaching Styles

The articles in this booklet reflect a broad spectrum in their approach to discipline and the teaching process. Even though discipline is now called classroom control, these articles indicate that some educators question the desirability of precise prescription in the classroom. Running through the articles is a common thread: discipline is less of a problem when the instructional content and process are interesting and relevant, constitute stimulating activities, and arouse natural curiosity. Since, as many of the articles point out, what constitutes meaningful curriculum or stimulating activities for one student may be irrelevant for another, the matter of motivating individual students appears to be the critical problem. However, since some students become discipline problems despite meaningful, curriculum, other approaches are suggested. These approaches range from an attempt to match a teacher's teaching style to a student's learning style, to a strict behavior modification where the forms of behavior -- and not the attitudes behind behavior -- are the primary concern.

Availability: National Education Association Publications, Order Department, The Academic Building, Saw Mill Road, West Haven, Connecticut 06516 (Stock No. 381-11878, Paper; \$2.50)



7. Goetz, Elizabeth M.; And Others. The Generalization of Creativity
"Training" in Easel Painting to Blockbuilding. 1973 12p

ED 086 324

Abstract Reasoning; Art Activities; Behavioral Science Research; Behavior Development; *Creativity; *Generalization; *Learning Processes; Operant Conditioning; Painting; *Preschool Children; *Reinforcement

The generalization of "trained" creativity in easel painting to untrained creativity in blockbuilding was examined in two preschool boys. Verbal reinforcement of every different form painted in a picture increased both the number of different forms per picture and new forms (those appearing for the first time in the total output of paintings). The children's concurrent behavior in blockbuilding without differential reinforcement was also measured. There was generalization of form diversity from easel painting to blockbuilding in each condition of the study, but no generalization in the appearance of new forms.

8. Gorman, E.; And Others. 3R, Reality, Re-Education, Responsibility:
A Cooperative Education Program for Students with Learning Problems
Associated with Behavior. 14p ED 088 260

*Behavior Change; Behavior Problems; Elementary School Students; *Emotionally Disturbed; *Exceptional Child Education; *Program Descriptions; Regular Class Placement; Socially Maladjusted; *Special Classes

Described is the 3R (Reality, Reeducation, and Responsibility) program to remediate inappropriate behaviors and academic deficiencies in socially and emotionally maladjusted elementary aged children. The major goal of the project is seen to be the successful return of the student to usual school routines and the regular classroom. Specific objectives are said to include developing trust in adults and building competence. Reviewed are aspects of program development including the planning stage, the steering committee, and program expansion. Explained are introducing the 3R unit into a school, staffing of the 3R unit team, and pupil intake, maintenance, and followup. Suggested are classroom strategies to develop goal oriented behaviors. Reported are research findings in the areas of academic growth, intelligence, improved behavior (an average decrease from 12 to one inappropriate behaviors was reported by regular classroom teachers), and return to the regular program for over 95% of children after an average stay of 6 months in the 3R unit.

9. Hamm, Phillip M., Jr.; Lyman, David A. Training Parents in Child Management Skills with the School as the Agent of Instruction.

1973 43p ED 096 572

*Behavior Change; Child Rearing; Elementary Schools;
*Family Life Education; *Operant Conditioning; *Parent Child Relationship; *Parent Education; Parent Role; Program
Descriptions

Twenty-eight families who indicated an interest in learning child management skills were included in a training program involving four groups from three elementary schools in Lincoln, Nebraska. Sessions were neld once a week for 7-12 weeks. The parents were taught child management skills through the use of operant techniques which they utilized in behavior change projects selected by themselves. Data relevant to five questions were collected, analyzed, and discussed. These questions were; (1) What occurred during the group meetings? (2) With what kinds of behavior were the parents interested in dealing? (3) What did the parents accomplish and what did they learn? (4) How did the parents involved in the program evaluate it? And (5) What were the by-products of the program? Results were discussed in terms of the implication for such a program, and recommendations were offered for similar programs in the future.

10. Harris, Cleveland J. An Effective Parent Paraprofessional.
1973 14p ED 088 837

*Behavior Change; *Behavior Problems; *Classroom Observation Techniques; Elementary School Students; Nonprofessional Personnel; Operant Conditioning; *Paraprofessional School Personnel; Parent Student Relationship; Parent Teacher, & Cooperation; Skill Development

A study designed to modify inappropriate pupil behavior in a recently integrated public elementary school in New Orleans made extensive use of a parent paraprofessional. It was conducted in a classroom judged by the faculty to be experiencing numerous behavior problems. The parent paraprofessional was given written definitions of the behaviors she was to observe and then observed the class daily during baseline, experimental and follow-up periods. In the experimental period the teacher reinforced pupils exhibiting satisfactory behavior and ignored, as much as possible, those behaving inappropriately. The paraprofessional copied letters drafted by the teacher to be sent to the parents of pupils, informing them that their children were behaving well in class. It was expected that the parents would further reinforce their children when they received such favorable letters from their child's teacher. Agressive and disruptive behaviors were both reduced during the experimental period. During the follow-up period, the number of

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agressive behaviors and disruptions were found to have increased slightly over the experimental period, but they remained well below their previous levels. The paraprofessional was found to be of increased value in the over-all school program after learning the mechanics of taking part in a relevant research study.

11. Hauserman, Norma; And Others. A Behavioral Approach to Changing
Self-Concept in Elementary School Children. 1974 12p ED 097 597

Academic Achievement; *Behavioral Change; Change Strategies; *Changing Attitudes; *Elementary School Students; Negative Attitudes; Post Testing; Q Sort; *Self Concept; *Social Reinforcement

This report describes an experiment in which elementary school children with negative self-concepts as measured by the Bolea Pictorial Self-Concept Scale and Teacher Ratings were exposed to a behavioral procedure designed to raise their self-concepts. Subjects were 30 children, grades K-4, who were randomly divided into experimental and control groups. The treatment procedure consisted of an elicitation by a teacher of a positive self-statement from an experimental subject. Each statement was immediately followed by a positive ' social reinforcer. At the end of the 40-day treatment period every child receiving the treatment showed a large gain in self-concept score. These gains were maintained on a delayed posttest given one month after cessation of the elicitaion procedures. Discussion of the results indicated that the study provided evidence that, by altering specific behaviors, attitudinal changes can be effected even on a more global self-concept measure. An alternative explanation however, is that changes shown by the experimental group may possibly be due to the amount of attention that the children received, rather than the experimental procedures per se.

12. Heater, Jim. The Engineered Adjustment Classroom: Parent Manual. 1974 9p ED 089 51

*Behavior Change; Child Rearing; Elementary School Students; *Emotionally Disturbed; *Exceptional Child Education; Operant Conditioning; Parent Education; *Parent Role; *Reinforcement

Presented is a manual for parents of children in the Papillion (Nebraska) Title III Elementary Level "Engineered Classroom" Program which stresses accomplishment of academic goals by emotionally disturbed students. Explained are the concept of behavioral modification, how children learn, practical aspects of negative and positive reinforcement, and situations when punishment is effective. Parents are urged to try some of the ideas presented which involve reinforcing the child's good behavior and ignoring bad behavior to prevent problem behaviors from developing.

Henderson, Ronald W.; Garcia, Angela B. The Effects of a Parent
Training Program on the Question-Asking Behavior of Mexican-American
Children. 1972 23p ED 094 861

Analysis of Variance; Cues; Educational Responsibility; *Elementary School Students; *Inquiry Training; *Mexican Americans; Models; Parent Child Relationship; *Parent Education; *Parent Influence; Research; Social Reinforcement; Tables (data)

* This investigation was designed to assess the effects of parent influences on the question-asking skills of their children. A total of 43 randomly selected, first grade, Mexican-American children were chosen as subjects and divided equally into a control and an experimental group. In each group the children were further subdivided into two groups in which either pre- and posttreatment measurement was conducted or only posttreatment measurement. In the pretreatment group baseline data was taken on each subject's question-asking ability. Instruction and modeling in question-asking techniques were then given and followed by another assessment of the subject's ability. In the next phase the mothers of the experimental subjects were trained in five sessions to use skills/such as reinforcement, cues, and modeling that would increase their children's question-asking behavior as well as shift their question-asking from the predominant nominal-physical questions to causal questions. The results indicated that: (1) trained parents had a significant effect on the target behavior of asking causal questions; and (2) the experimenter's modeling procedures in the pretreatment condition also had a significant effect on question-asking behavior. Concluding discussion focuses on the importance of home instruction and support for ' school children and possible potential use of parent skills.

14. Hendricks, C. Gaylord; And Others. Effects of Behavioral Self-Observation on Elementary Teachers and Students. Research and Development Memorandum No. 121. 1974 18p ED 092 520

*Behavior Change; *Classroom Observation Techniques; Elementary School Teachers; Observation; *Self Evaluation; Student Behavior; Teacher Behavior; *Teacher Evaluation; *Teacher Improvement; Video Tape Recordings

A self-observation training program developed for teachers was tried out with a group of intern teachers. After some modifications of the program, the effects of the training on selected teacher and student behaviors were assessed by two experienced elementary teachers. Changes in three teacher behaviors (contingent praise, positive nonverbal responses, and negative commands) and their effects on four student variables (inappropriate verbal behavior, inappropriate nonverbal behavior, on-task behavior, and classroom noise) were examined using a multiple-baseline design. Self-observation was found to be associated with increases in positive teacher behaviors when those behaviors were being self-observed. The accuracy of the teachers' self-observation ranged from a mean of 41 percent to a mean of 88 percent. Self-

observation by teachers was associated with some positive changes in certain student behaviors. In general, the effects of self-observation on the teachers were not maintained after the teachers discontinued observing and recording their behavior.

15. Houtz, John C.; Feldhusen, John F. The Behavior Modification of Fourth-Graders' Problem Solving Ability by use of the Premack Principle and Special Instructional Material. Final Report.

1974 233p ED 097 360

*Elementary School Students; Evaluation; Games; Grade 4; *Instructional Materials; Motivation Techniques; *Problem Solving; Racial Differences; *Reinforcement; Rewards; Social Differences; Tests; Validity

Effects of a new type of problem-solving instructional material and a reinforcement method called Premack on problem-solving skills of elementary school children is investigated. The problems provided were an extension of the materials developed for the Purdue Elementary Problem-Solving Inventory. The Premack Principle of Behavior Modification states that a preferred activity can be used as a reinforcer of rélated but less desirable activities. Phase 1 of the investigation served as validation for the training materials and reinforcement procedures. Phase 2 involved the formal training program. experimental groups were formed from classes selected to represent. differences in social class and ethnic origins. One group received reinforcement for working on the materials; a second was given the materials as a regular part of the schoolwork with no reinforcement; and a third served as a control, and received no materials. Results demonstrated that the materials were effective in increasing problem-solving ability, but that children who used the materials without rewards outperformed children given rewards. Socioeconomic differences were observed, and it appeared that black children improved to a level equal to that of white children in the materials-plus-rewards group.

16. Howard, Norma K., Comp. Discipline and Behavior: An Abstract
Bibliography. 1974 58p ED 092 243

Annotated Bibliographies; *Behavior Change; Behavior Problems; *Class Management; *Discipline; Discipline Policy; *Early Childhood Education; Exceptional Child Research; Operant Conditioning; Parent Child Relationship; *Positive Reinforcement; Student Behavior; Student Teacher Relationship; Teacher Behavior; Teaching Techniques

This selective bibliography contains references to 202 ERIC Documents on



the subjects of discipline and behavior modification of young children. The citations are divided into five sections: (1) regular classroom; (2) teacher training and teaching techniques; (3) exceptional child; (4) family; and (5) general. Entries were taken from "Reserach In Education (RIE)," April 1971 through November 1973, and from "Current Index to Journals in Education (CIJE)," January 1972 through November 1973.

Also Available: Publications Office/I.R.E.C., College of Education, University of Illinois, 805 West Pennsylvania Avenue, Urbana, IL 61801 (Catalog no. 108, \$1.50)

17. Hoy, Robert V.; And Others. <u>Developmental Differences in Reactions</u>
to Combinations of Expectancy and Feedback Statements. 1973
32p ED 097 H1

Age Differences; Cues; Developmental Psychology; *Elementary School Students; *Expectation; Feedback; *High Achievers; Intelligence Quotient; *Motivation; Positive Reinforcement; Recall (Psychological); Sex Differences; *Teacher Influence

This study attempted to replicate the findings of Moore, Gagne, and Hauck (1973) and to test the developmental assumption of the two-stage motivational theory proposed by Moore, Means, and Gagne (1972) concerning the effect of combination expectancy-feedback communications. Fourth and second grade subjects were administered five pairs of these communications for one baseline day and four treatment days. The significant expectancy-feedback interaction and fourth grade mean differences support the replicated study. For second graders, positive feedback resulted in best performance levels for both high and low IQ subjects, and high expectancy resulted in best performance within feedback levels. These results both indicate the presence of developmental differences and suggest that second graders only attend to the immediate reward value of adult communications, thus neglecting the cue value (for future success and reinforcement) which such statements convey to fourth graders.

Hulten, Burma H. Games and Teams: An Effective Combination in the Classroom. 1974 20p ED 090 927

Academic Achievement; Classroom Techniques; *Educational Games; Educational Research; Elementary School Mathematics; Grade 7; High Achievers; Individual Instruction; *Instructional Aids: Low Achievers; Mathematics Instruction; Motivation; *Rewards; *Teaching Procedures; *Team Training

Research investigated the relative contributions of team competition and peer group practice sessions to the effectiveness of a classroom instructional technique known as teams-games-tournament. Eight

mathematics classes with 240 seventh grade students participated in a ten-week field experiment. A 2x2 design was employed. The factors were (1) reward system (team competition versus individual competition) and (2) practice (group practice versus individual practice). Students participated in 12 game tournaments with competition centered on a modified version of the math game "TUF". A significant reward main effect and two significant interaction effects were obtained for the arithmetic computation subtest of the Stanford Achievement Test. High and low performers in the team condition improved significantly more than students in the individual reward group. Group practice had no significant effect on their level of achievement, but did benefit the low performer in the individual reward group at the expense of the high performer. It was concluded that games can be effective instructional devices for increasing academic achievement and that their success as instructional aids varies with the reward systems and practice structures under which students operate.

Johnson, Stephen M.; And Others. Generalization and Contrast Phenomena in Behavior Modification with Children. Preliminary Draft. 1974

47p ED 101-832

*Behavior Change; Behavior Rating Scales; Classroom Environment; *Elementary School Students; Family Environment; *Generalization; *Intervention; Observation; Parent Attitudes; *Problem Children; Standardized Tests; Teacher Attitudes

The present research was designed to answer two basic questions: (1) Do children who are referred for treatment of behavior problems in one setting also exhibit such behavioral problems in the others? (2) Does behavior modification in the primary setting have any systematic effect on children's behavior in the other (secondary) setting? Thirty-five children, identified by either parents or teachers as having behavior problems either at home or at school, were involved in an intervention treatment study: (1) 15 children were referred for outpatient treatment for 'active' behavior problems in the home setting (the 'home problem' sample); (2) 12 children, the 'school problem' sample, were referred for treatment of behavior problems in the school setting; and (3) 8 children were recruited to form the 'school problem control' sample. Verbal reports by parents and teachers were obtained, and independent measures were taken in both, the home and school setting on the 'deviant' children.

20. Kanfer, Frederick H. Behavior Modification in Education: A Few Opinions on Critical Issues. 1973 11p ED 085 079



*Behavior Change; *Early Childhood Education; *Educational Change; Educational Innovation; Educational Methods; *Educational Objectives; Educational Policy; Reinforcement; *Self Control

The issues discussed in this paper center around the recent applications of laboratory derived behavioral priciples and techniques to everyday situations and problems, particularly those concerned with educational practice. A brief review of the ways that behavior modification has been used in education to date is included. Basically, the discussion focuses on three critical issues. The first involves the extent to which behavioral principles cancentribute to the selection and specification of educational objectives, and the design of programs to meet these objectives. The second issue involves the shifting of emphasis from the early behavioral focus on environmental control shaping the child to consideration of how the environment can be manipulated so that children learn to control their own behavior and effectively change their environments. The third area of concern is the importance of systematic study of various methods of educational change, so that effective strategies can be identified.

21. Klein, Roger D.; Mechelli, Theresa. The Modification of On-Task Completion Behaviors in an Elementary-School Child. 1973 17p ED 104 549

*Behavior Change; *Behavior Patterns; *Elementary School Students; Grade 1; Motivation; *Positive Reinforcement; Reinforcers; Social Reinforcement; Student Behavior; Task Analysis; *Task Performance; Teacher Behavior

22. Kloss, James D. Effects of Observational Learning on Positive Reinforcers. 1974 15p ED 097 996

Analysis of Variance; Control Groups; Hypothesis Testing; Imitation; *Learning Theories; *Observational Learning;



*Preschool Children; *Reinforcement; Rewards; *Role Models; Sex Differences; Stimulus Behavior; Tables (data)

This study investigates the possibility that the reinforcement strength of stimuli can be enhanced by observational learning as well as by pairing with unconditioned reinforcers. The reinforcement strengths of two candies were determined for 40 preschool children as measured by rate of response on a button pressing apparatus. The children then observed a videotape of an adult model being rewarded in a different situation who: (1) chose one candy over the other and consumed it, (2) chose one candy over the other but did not consume it, (3) consumed one candy but did not have a choice of candies, or (4) did not receive a candy reward. Rates of response supported by each candy were then determined again. The predicted interactions of the candies, sessions, and modeling conditions were statistically significant, indicating that the reinforcement strength of the candy was enhanced by observational learning. This finding increases the viability of the concept of conditioned reinforcement in accounts of complex human behavior.

23. Kratochwill, Thomas R.; Serverson, Roger A. <u>Individualized</u>
<u>Diagnosis and Program Planning for Process Learning Deficits in Mathematics</u>. 1974—32p ED 091—878

Behavior Change; Conceptual Schemes; *Diagnostic Teaching; Elementary School Students; *Exceptional Child Research; *Learning Disabilities; Learning Processes; *Mathematics; Models; *Operant Conditioning; Reinforcement; Research Reviews (Publications); Teaching Methods

Discussed in a paper which was presented at the 1974 annual meeting of the American Educational Research Association are diagnostic procedures for instructional planning to be used with learning disabled elementary school children handicapped in the area of mathematics. Traditional diagnostic approaches such as intelligence tests are criticized. Offered is the Engineering Model of Learning Disabilities which provides for observation of a child's learning behaviors in an environmentally normal minisituation. Diagnosis of the child's functioning in mathematics is said to involve finding out how much the child knows in a given curriculum sequence, how the child learns new material, and how learning rate changes as a function of the child's environment. Explained is the core diagnostic procedure which examines changes in learning of five addition problems as a result of three types of feedback: acknowledgement of correct and incorrect responses, social praise for correct responses, and tangible reinforcement (tokens) for correct response. Additional modifications are given to include use of soft reprimands for incorrect responses, tokens in a response cost format, and behavior charting by the child. Advised for overcoming perceptual difficulties are modification of stimulus material such as using larger print.



Also available: Thomas R. Kratochwill, Ph.D., Psycho-Educational Clinic, 1025 W. Johnson Street, Madison, Wisconsin 53706.

24. Lepper, Mark R: Extrinsic Rewards and Intrinsic Motivation in Children. Final Report. 1973 31p ED 084 210

Attention Span; Behavior Change; Classroom Techniques; Experiments; *Goal Orientation; Individual Power; *Interests; *Locus of Control; *Motivation; Preschool Children; *Rewards; Self Concept

Three experiments were conducted to examine the effects of providing extrinsic rewards for engaging in an activity on children's subsequent intrinsic interest in that activity. In each study, preschool children were asked to engage in an activity of initial intrinsic interest in individual experimental sessions. The children agreed to engage in this target activity under three different reward conditions. After these sessions, unobtrusive measures of the children's subsequent intrinsic interest were obtained during a series of free-play periods. each of the studies results indicated that asking children to engage in an activity of initial interest as a means to some ulterior end proved a consistently effective method for undermining these children's intrinsic interest in that activity. In addition, the results indicated that close adult surveillance also produced a similar decrement in subsequent intrinsic interest. Suggestions to maintain children's intrinsic motivation included: (1) systems of extrinsic reward systems shoul'd be employed only when necessary to elicit the desired behavior pattern; and (2) when necessary, such programs should attempt to employ the least powerful rewards when required to produce the desired behavior change.

25. Mayhew, Gerald; Crow, Robert. Rate and Accuracy of Mathematic Performance Under Delayed Reinforcement. 1974 90p ED 105 994

*Behavior Change; Classroom Research; *Elementary Education; Elementary School Students; Grade 4; *Positive Reinforcement; *Refactive Behavior; *Remedial Arithmetic

This study investigated the effects of delay of reinforcement on the classroom academic behaviors (rate of increase and accuracy of mathematical problem completion) by elementary students. A total of 11 fourth graders with a history of low achievement in arithmetic were divided into two groups and given timed arithmetic tests daily. Three reinforcement conditions were used (immediate, 1-day delay, and 1-week delay) with the sequence of delay conditions being reversed for one of the groups. Results indicated that the rate of increase in correct problem solving decreased as the reinforcement delay increased, and that the percentage of problems solved correctly increased as the reinforcement delay increased.

26. Mclaughlin, T.F.; Malaby, J.E. Completion Rates and Accuracy of Performance Under Fixed and Variable Token Exchange Periods.

1974 20p En 099 129

Assignments; *Behavior Change; *Change Agents; Classroom Environment; *Classroom Techniques; *Elementary School *Students; Extinction (Psychology); Handwriting; Language Arts; Matnematics; 'Positive Reinforcement; *Reinforcers; Spelling; Student Behavior

This research investigated the effects of employing fixed, variable, and extended token exchange periods for back-ups on the completion and accuracy of daily assignments for a total fifth and sixth-grade class. The results indicated that, in general, a higher percentage of assignments was completed when the number of days between point exchanges was variable, and that performance was maintained when the number of school days between point exchanges was gradually increased. The overall accuracy on assignments was high, but variable and did not appear to be under the systematic control of the experimental procedures. Data for two selected pupils indicated that there were individual differences as to the effects of the various token (point) exchange procedures. Thus, the variable sequencing of the number of days should be an important consideration in any effort to maintain the positive effects of token-reinforcement systems within classroom settings.

27. Morrow, William R. "Self-Concept Changes Following Behavior Modification." Final Report. 1974 17p ED 103 499

*Behavior Change; Behavior Problems; Change Agents; *Changing Attitutes; *Elementary School Students; Inner City; *Operant Conditioning; Parent Role; Psychological Testing; *Self Concept; Student Attitudes; Student Behavior; Teacher Role; Test Reliability; Test Validity

The primary aim of this research project was to test the hypothesis that successful teacher- and parent mediated direct modification, by operant techniques, of youngsters' eviant behavior would tend to be followed by significant positive changes in the youngsters' self-concepts. Two studies were done. In the first, focusing on teacher-mediated behavior modification, an instructor taught interested teachers in a single elementary school to carry out behavior modification projects with their pupils, and in addition to provide direct, intensive supplementary instruction in arithmetic skills to pupils in several calssrooms. The school selected was located in an "inner-city" area. Only five upper-elementary teachers completed behavior modification projects with one or more pupils in their respective classrooms. Self-concept data and teacher-nomination data on deviant pupils, obtained for



all of the pupils in these five classrooms, did provide a basis for evaluating the reliability and validity on the self-concept measures, a secondary aim of this project. In order to obtain data on parent-mediated behavior modification, a program of parent behavior-modification training groups was sponsored in the second study, to assist interested parents in modifying problem behaviors of normal youngsters, aged 10-15, who were not receiving any other special treatment.

28. Piper, Terrence. Classroom Management & Behavioral Objectives.

Applications of Behavior Modification. 1974 129p ED 091 811

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*Behavioral Objectives; *Behavior Change; *Classroom Environment; Discrimination Learning; Elementary Schools; Generalization; Learning Theories; *Management by Objectives; *Operant Conditioning; *Reinforcement; Rewards; Secondary Schools; Social Reinforcement; Teaching Models

The areas of learning theory and classroom applications of that theory are brought together in this booklet. Although it is impossible to provide the answer to every classroom behavior problem, relating the problems and objectives of a given classroom to learning theory should facilitate the development of effective and efficient programs. Concrete examples of application are included throughout the text. To further illustrate the relationship between theory and application, a series of studies performed by teachers in their own classrooms has been included. The studies sample a wide variety of chronological ages and behavior problems.

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29. Prakash, A. Om. Effect of Modeling and Social Reinforcement on the Racial Preferences of Children. 1973 31p ED 086 357

Age Differences; *Elementary School Students; *Imitation; *Observational Learning; *Parent Influence; Racial Discrimination; Socialization; *Social Reinforcement

Forty-eight white elementary school students, ages 6 to 10, received experimental treatments consisting of modeling and social reinforcement contingencies designed to influence their racial preferences. Social reinforcement significantly increased the modification of racial preferences during the treatments; modeling had a sustaining influence on the changes produced. Results indicated that it is possible to arrange modeling and social reinforcement contingencies so that children learn to make socially accepting responses to people of other ethnic groups. The influence of parents in the modeling process in terms of childrearing practices is also discussed.



Project Patrol: Evaluation (Second Operational Year) and Proposal for Continuation Grant (Third Operational Year). 1972 90p ED 092 215

*Behavior Change; Child Development; Community Programs;
*Group Dynamics; Models; Objectives; Parent Attitudes;
Parent Child Relationship; *Parent Education; Parent Participation; Preschool Learning; *Preschool Programs; *Program Descriptions; Self Concept

Project Patrol is an experimental approach to pre-school education involving a parent training program, based on the techniques of behavior modification. This report includes the rationale, the analysis of main objectives, and the administrative organization of the project at the completion of its second year in operation. Project Patrol is based on three interrelated theories: (1) the concept of identification as a source of motivation in academic and behavioral pursuits, (2) the social identity of the group as providing a psychological support and framework for individual behavior modification, and (3) the development of groups (parents with like characteristics) according to the tone of the community rather than a forced plan. To help parents learn about child development, the various parent groups are asked to complete eight sessions in any two of the following areas: learning experiences, self concept, social skills, developmental environment, and stimulation. While the main thrust of the project deals with curriculum for the participants, emphasis is also given to the building of cohesive groups through the token reward system. Objectives for the third operational year of Project Patrol, outlined in this report, include the evaluation of Patrol children in kindergarten and the consolidation of the project into a replicable model for use in other areas.

31. Russell, Gail. The Success Environment: An Approach to Community Educational Improvement. End of Budget Period Report, Fiscal Year 1973. 1973 163p ED 085 460

*Class Management; Classroom Arrangement; Curriculum Development; Disadvantaged Youth; Economically Disadvantaged; *Elementary School Stúdents; *Federal Programs; Individualized Instruction; Inner City; *Program Evaluation; Reinforcement; Small Group Instruction; Success Factors

Project Success Environment was funded under Title III of the 1965 Elementary Secondary Education Act to help alleviate the behavioral and academic problems of economically disadvantaged inner city students by providing them with the opportunity to experience, on an individual basis, success in school. The program that was developed during the three years of project funding consists of: (1) A positive contingency



management system designed to deliver a high rate of reinforcement (and thus success) for appropriate social and academic behaviors; (2) a classroom arrangement designed to foster small group and individualized teaching; and, (3) some revision of the standard curriculum. This three-part program, usually referred to as the "Success Technique," has been extensively tested in 44 classrooms over the project's three years of operation. The results showed that during this time dramatic improvements in classfoom management were consistently obtained. In addition, each successive year of the project's operation resulted in more substantial gains being made in achievement. Indeed, the very strong effects obtained in year three indicated that many of the problems associated with inner-city teaching have been eliminated or greatly reduced in Project classrooms.

32. Spilker, George. The Engineered Adjustment Classroom. 1972
48p ED 089 518

*Behavior Change; *Curriculum; Elementary School Students; *Emotionally Disturbed; *Exceptional Child Education; Operant Conditioning; Parent Role; *Program Descriptions; Reinforcement; Summer Programs

Described are the curriculum, behavioral modification program, summer activities, and parent involvement in the Papillion (Nebraska) Title III Elementary Level "Engineered Classroom" Program for emotionally disturbed students. Noted is program initiation after parents and teachers became upset over poor academic progress and behaviors of an increasing number of children. Development of such a program is said to involve analysis, staff dedication, high cost, a low student-staff ratio, lengthy inservice teacher training, and parental cooperation. The curriculum is discussed in relation to individualization in reading (using aids such as programed reading, phonics, and games) and mathematics (using aids such as continental press materials and drills). Behavioral modification is seen to comprise observation, selection of strategies, use of positive and negative reinforcement, and intervention procedures ranging from a shortened assignment through change of media (such as writing with a crayon), to removal of the child from school. Focuséd on is the summer program designed to maintain the structured environment and provide activities such as math games, reading games and field trips without academic pressure. Given as an example of approaches used to interest summer students is an animal unit which included activities in the following areas: poetry, music, books, art, math, reading, and science. Noted is a science activity which requires a student to observe worms and act like a worm.. Among approaches to parent education cited are a weekly phone conference, group parent sessions, and five parent teacher conferences per year. The following are among included forms: A child

referral form, a classroom schedule behavior rating scales, a teacher conference report, and a parent questionnaire.

33. Spilker, George. Engineered Adjustment Classroom: The Instructional Assistant Aide. 1972 56p ED 089 516

Academic Achievement; *Behavior Change; *Diagnostic Teaching; Elementary School Students; *Emotionally Disturbed; *Exceptional Child Education; Instructional Materials; Intervention; *Teacher Aides

Described is the role of the teacher aide in the Papillion (Nebraska) Title III Elementary Level "Engineered Classroom" Program which stresses accomplishment of academic goals by emotionally disturbed students. Noted is the aides' goal of carrying out students' prescriptions provided by the teacher and psychologist. Described are the aides' duties such as listening to children read, the classroom schedule, aide recruitment based on criteria stressing empathy, the 2-week comprehensive inservice program, and evaluation. An evaluation form is included. The aide is said to rate each child's behaviors during each daily instructional period on a rating scale (included) and to use the following intervention procedures: the academic assignment, movement of the child in the classroom, changes in writing media, nonacademic assignments, and temporary removal from the classroom. Appendixes include the following components: suggestions for classroom reinforcement such as listed praising words and phrases, math game prescriptions such as playing store, reading game prescriptions such as making words from "Thanksgiving", science prescriptions such as investigating temperature control in a spacecraft, art prescriptions such as making a leaf print, and communication prescriptions such as calling authorities in time of need.

Sunshine, Phyllis M. Approaches to School Discipline. A Selected Review of the Literature No.2. Reviews of Research. 1973

39p ED 087 084

*Behavior Change; *Child Psychology; *Discipline; Discipline Problems; Elementary Schools; Goal Orientation; *Literature Reviews; Models; Reinforcement; Secondary Schools; *Student Behavior

This pamphlet first describes the various ways in which discipline can be defined. Two models for dealing with classroom discipline are then presented. The first model--psychoanalytic--emphasizes the importance of understanding in dealing with discipline problems. In contrast, the second model--behavior modification--focuses on the various techniques; e.g., reinforcement and modeling; as procedures for classroom management.

The ideas presented in this pamphlet are based both on scholarly opinion and on empirical investigation.

35. Whitehurst, Keturah E. Early Formal Instruction: What Constitutes
Too Much Pressure? 1969 10p ED 099 111

Academic Education; Compensatory Education; Developmental Psychology, *Educational Philosophy; *Educational Practice; Kindergarten; Learning Processes; Learning Readiness; Maturation; *Preschool Education; Reactive Behavior; *Social Influences; Social Reinforcement

This paper discusses the change in educational philosophy and practices in preschool and kindergarten education before and during the "Sputnik" era. Presented are four major factors that have exerted pressure on the schools to change from a developmental to an academic approach in preschool (1) the wave of adverse criticism of American education and advocation of reactionary formal instruction set off by the launching of the Sputnik satellite; (2) the new interest and consequent research in the early learning/teaching process by scientists; (3) the influence of learning theories and the use of behavior modification and motivation techniques in preschool education; (4) the national awareness of the problems of the disadvantaged. These factors encouraged an appraoch towards education neglectful of humanistic, self-fulfilling goals, resulting in a trend toward formal early education that may involve some risks to the child's development. Several examples of practices that may constitute too much pressure on the child at the preschool level are given along with examples of possible child reactions.

36. Whitmore, Joanne Rand. The Modification of Undesirable Attitudes and Classroom Behavior Through Constructive Use of Social Power in the School Peer Culture. 1973 208p ED 084 489

*Behavior Change; *Discipline Problems; Elementary School Students; Leadership; Locus of Control; Low Income Groups; Models; Peer Groups; *Reinforcement; *Self Concept; Social Behavior; Student Attitudes; *Youth Leaders

A student leadership program was implemented in an elementary school to increase the social value of constructive (appropriate) classroom behavior and to generate more positive pupil attitudes toward self and school. The specific aims of the intervention were to reduce the disruptive, negative behavior of some socially powerful students while increasing the rewards for more appropriate models and for teacher efforts to improve classroom climate. The SS were low-income Black students in grades 4, 5 and 6. Eight teachers and 280 peers identified 64 actual or potential social leaders who were randomly assigned to experimental or control conditions. Teachers classified the SS as generally positive or



negative in attitudes and behavior. The effects of the intervention upon attitudes of leaders were determined by measures of self-concept, locus of control, social efficacy, and attitude toward school. Periodically, subject behavior was rated by teachers and coded by naive observers. Participation as leaders did reduce the tendency of subjects with negative attitudes and behavior to become increasingly negative. Males, especially, increased their sense of efficacy and internal acceptance of responsibility. The highest post-intervention self-reports came from the most successful leaders (as ranked by the experimenter).



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*Timeout, *Behavioral Counseling, *Counseling, *Behavior Change, Reinforcement, Operant Conditioning, Elementary Secondary Education

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*Program Descriptions, *Hyperactivity, *Emotionally Disturbed Children, *Behavior Change, *Learning Processes

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Elementary School Guidance and Counseling, v9 n2 pp102-107

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*Case Studies, *Parent Participation, *Behavior Change, *Reinforcement, *Parent Child Relationship, Research Project, Children, Training Objectives, Contracts

The present case study deals with teaching reinforcement strategies to parents, through the use of teaching exercises, role playing, and modeling, in order to change a child's soiling behavior. The present study used a structured teaching model designed for training a paraprofessionals in basic interviewing skills, the Basic Helping Skills Program.

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*Behavior Change, *Inservice Teacher Education, *Professors, *Teachers, *Teaching Skills, Elementary Education, Higher Education, Secondary Education, (*Minicourses)

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*Behavior Change, *Behavior Patterns, *Junior High School Students, *Inner City, Disadvantaged Youth

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*Paraprofessional School Personnel, *Behavior Change, *Change Agents, *Positive Reinforcement, *Underachievers, Teacher Behavior, Educational Innovation, Student Improvement; Elementary School Students

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*Academic Achievement, *Management Systems, *Class Management, *Behavior Change, *Instructional Improvement, Research Projects, Classroom Techniques

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*Elementary School Students, *Behavior Change, *Reinforcement, *Behavior Problems, Case Studies, Social Behavior

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Development, *Program Administration, Change Strategies,
Change Agent, Institutional Environment, Language
Handicaps, Educational Resources

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*Behavior Change, *Welfare Recipients, *Parent Counseling, *Social Differences, *Change Agents, Parent Influence, Group Counseling



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Rosenberg; Harry E. Wing. Performance Contracting, Programmed Learning and Behavior Modification May Inhibit Learning of the Gifted. Gifted Child Quarterly, v17 n4 pp254-9. W 1973, EJ 097 930

*Exceptional Child Education, *Gifted, *Behavior Change, *Motivation, *Success Factors, Operant Conditioning, Reinforcement

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*Exceptional Child Research, *Custodial Mentally Handicapped, *Attendant Training, *Behavior Change, *Games, Mentally Handicapped, Institutionalized (Persons), Operant Conditioning, (Staff Development) A program to teach the techniques of behavior modification to attendants working with severely and profoundly retarded institutionalized residents has been developed and tested.

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*Elementary School Students, *Attention Control, *Group Activities, *Behavior Change, *Inservice Teacher Education, Research Projects, Management Systems, Program Effectiveness, Transfer of Training

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*Kindergarten Children, *Behavior Change, *Reinforcement, *Affective Behavior, *Classroom Techniques, Teaching Methods, Operant Conditioning

An investigation of the applicability of behavior modification techniques to the operant crying behaviors (OCBs) in a regular kindergarten classroom was conducted. With baseline, reinforcement, and extinction conditions, the OCBs of two 5-year-old subjects were significantly decreased between baseline and reinforcement conditions.



Postscript

The Educational Resources Information Center/Early Childhood Education Clearinghouse (ERIC/ECE) is one of a system of 16 clearinghouses sponsored by the National Institute of Education to provide information about current research and developments in the field of education. The clearinghouses, each focusing on a specific area of education (such as early childhood, teacher education, language and linguistics), are located at universities and institutions throughout the United States.

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